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Mrs T. P. Longly,
Lagrange, Ga.

Dear Madam:

Your highly appreciated letter of July 26, came to hand very promptly, but on account of my extreme rush with business I have not had time to reply until now.

My mother is not an extremely old woman--being only about 66 years old. Her maiden name was Sara Means, daughter of John Means, formerly of this town and also of Meansville Georgia--she is a first cousin of T. E. A. Means of Atlanta and related to the Means family of Houston County, Macon Ga., etc.

I remember aunt Sallie Lovett coming to our home when I was a very small boy, possibly four or five years old--I also remember one of the other daughters of my great grandfather Robert Collier, her name was Edy Sherman--I remember seeing her at my grandfather's home at The Rock Georgia. I am not so very old myself, being about 43--but I have been a very close applicant to my business since I was 20 years old--perhaps I do not feel quite as young as I should.

My grandfather Robert M. Collier raised a very large family. His first wife was Amanda Green, daughter of Thomas Green and sister of Judge Green, all of Upson County and Thomaston Ga.,--she died during the war while nursing my father who came from the late war and was taken with typhoid fever. After he became convalescent, she contracted it and died in 1864--I never knew her as this was several years before my birth.

By this marriage there was three or four sons and three or four daughters. Robert Thomas Collier the oldest boy died or was killed in the war between the states--He was married to a Miss Stafford a member of the Stafford family now living here in Barnesville--he left two little children and a widow, but they are all dead now.

My grandfathers second child was a daughter by the name of Fletcher--she married Rev. J. A. Jackson, and also died during or just after the war leaving one child which is now in Texas--just where I do not know. The third child was a daughter by the name of Matha named for her grandmother Matha Collier--wife of the original Robert Collier--she died at the age of 18.

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The fourth child was a boy by the name of Efford who died before reaching maturity. The fith was my father Isaac Cuthbert Collier who died in 1908 at the age of 64--the sixth child was Louisa who married Thomas H. Black of Upson County, she died several years ago in about 1894 or 5 leaving several children--she has a son living at Thomaston in the stock business by the name of E. T. Black--about 35 years old and several other children. The seventh child by first wife was named Jennie--she never married but remained with her father during his old age, she died along about 1890 at the age of 27 or 8. Just after the war my grandfather Robert M. married a second time a Mrs. Wadley. He had five children by this last marriage--William Efford now dead, having died in 1898 leaving a widow and two children who reside at The Rock Ga., Robert Marshall now living in Atlanta, being a traveling salesman for a large New York house and three other children who died before maturity.

There is still an old negro that belonged to my great grandfather now living on the old original Collier place near The Rock Ga. The old man is more than 100 years old and has lived in this same place since he was a boy. The old original place of Robert and Matha Collier is still in the family, now being owned by Robert Marshall Collier and our grandparents are buried on the old home place.

I have been residing at Barnesville for a good long time--having been sent here to school when I was a boy and after getting through school I located and made this my home, but my father always resided at The Rock and later at Piedmont. He was a large planter--but I have always given my attention to the mercantile and manufacturing business.

I have one son just grown, Durwood Cuthbert Collier who graduated at the Georgia-Tech last summer--taking the first honor of his class. I have a little girl almost 17 that graduated here in our home school this summer and is going away this fall to college. I have another little girl age 10.

As I grow older--naturally became very much interested in our relatives, but the first 15 or 20 years of my time after going into business I did not stop to think of anything but pushing forward.

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The Collier's here have all been money makers and all stand high morally in their community--but Robert M. Collier is the only Collier of my grandfather left and I was the only one of my father. Robert M. has two little boys and I have one so you can only say that there is five Collier's left in this part of the country, which are descendant of the original Robert Collier of Upson Co.

I remember seeing when I was a child a cousin by the name of Anna Minahee, also a cousin by the name of Sallie Eavans all of Columbus Ga. I also learned from my father that he had an uncle by the name of William Efford that moved to Texas before the war and another uncle by the name of William Collier that died either in Merriwether or Tolbert County, and another uncle by the name of Isasc that died before marriage at Macon Ga. Do you know anything of William Efford's family? I understand that William of Tolbert County had no children.

Please pardon this long letter but perhaps it will be interesting. I can't say that I ever wrote one so long before in my life, as I ordinarily condense them into two, three, and four lines. I have several times met in New York the Seay Bros., also Fuller Calloway of your city and others that I cannot now remember. I hope some time it will be convenient for you to visit us.

Hoping to make your personal aquaintance, with best wishes and personal regards, believe me very

Sincerely,